

Abandoned Vehicle Abatement Fee Updates

New Information

Abandoned Vehicle Abatement (AVA) fee collection by the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) will be ending or extending as follows:

- San Mateo County's AVA program ends as of midnight May 31, 2013. Beginning June 1, 2013, DMV will only collect San Mateo County AVA fees that became due prior to the end of the program.
- Lassen County's AVA program will be suspended for one year as of midnight June 30, 2013. Beginning July 1, 2013, DMV will only collect Lassen County AVA fees that became due prior to the suspension of the program.
- Alameda and San Francisco Counties have extended their AVA programs and will continue to participate. DMV will continue to collect their AVA fees.

All other counties that currently have an AVA program will also continue to participate and DMV will continue to collect their AVA fees. For the complete list of participating counties see the *Vehicle Industry Registration Procedures Manual*, Appendix 1A at: http://apps.dmv.ca.gov/pubs/reg_hdbk_pdf/app1a_county_and_city.pdf.

Procedures

Use the following chart to determine AVA fee collection.

<i>County Code</i>	<i>County</i>	<i>AVA Program End Date</i>	<i>If Registration Fees Became Due...</i>	<i>Collect AVA Fees</i>
41	San Mateo	5/31/13	On or before 5/31/13	Yes
			On or after 6/1/13	No
18	Lassen	6/30/13	On or before 6/30/13	Yes
			On or after 7/1/13	No
01	Alameda	None—continued	Any date	Yes
38	San Francisco			
Various	All other AVA counties—See Appendix 1A			

Background

To fund counties' AVA programs, vehicles registered or allocated in participating counties are assessed a \$1 AVA fee; an additional \$2 AVA fee is assessed on vehicles subject to the Commercial Vehicle Registration Act (CVRA).

San Mateo County has been with the AVA program since June 1993, and has decided to end its participation in the program.

Background, *continued*

Lassen County's collection of the AVA fee is suspended for one year, beginning July 1, 2013, pursuant to *California Vehicle Code* §9250.7(b).

Alameda and San Francisco Counties' AVA programs were scheduled to end on May 31, 2013; however, both counties have decided to continue to participate in the AVA program.

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References

California Vehicle Code §9250.7

Vehicle Industry Registration Procedures Manual, Appendix 1A

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